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In re Application of:

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INFORMATION, AND SYSTEMS
USING THEM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the aboveidentified application, filed herewith, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

In Claim 4, line 1, change "1, 2 or 3" to the following --1 or 2--.

In Claim 5, line 1, change "any of the preceding claims" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 6, line 1, change "any of the preceding claims" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 7, line 1, change "any of the preceding claims" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 8, line 1, change "any of Claims 1 to 6" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 9, line 1, change "any of the preceding claims" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 13, line 1, change "10, 11 or 12" to the following --10 or 11--.

In Claim 14, line 1, change "any of Claims 10 to 13" to --Claim 10 or 11--.

In Claim 15, line 1, change "any of Claims 10 to 14" to --Claim 10 or 11--.

In Claim 16, line 1, change "any of Claims 10 to 15" to --Claim 10 or 11--.

In Claim 17, line 1, change "any of Claims 10 to 15" to --Claim 10 or 11--.

In Claim 18, line 1, change "any of Claims 10 to 17" to --Claim 10 or 11--.

In Claim 19, lines 2-3, change "any one of Claims 1 to 9" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 21, line 1, delete "or 20".

In Claim 23, line 1, delete "or 22".

In Claim 24, line 1, delete "22 or 23,".

Cancel Claim 25 without prejudice and without disclaimer of subject matter.

In Claim 26, line 1, change "any of Claims 19 to 25" to --Claim 19--.

In Claim 27, line 1, change "any of Claims 19 to 26" to --Claim 19--.

In Claim 28, line 1, change "any of Claims 19 to 27" to --Claim 19--.

In Claim 29, line 1, change "any of Claims 19 to 27" to --Claim 19--.

In Claim 30, line 1, change "any of Claims 19 to 27" to --Claim 19--.

In Claim 31, line 2, change "any one of Claims 10 to 18" to --Claim 10 or 11--.

Cancel Claims 33 and 34 without prejudice and without disclaimer of subject matter.

In Claim 35, line 1, delete "or 34".

In Claim 36, line 1, delete "34 or 35,".

In Claim 37, line 1, delete "34, 35 or 36,".

In Claim 38, line 1, change "any of Claims 31 to 37" to --Claim 31--.

In Claim 39, line 1, change "any of Claims 31 to 38" to --Claim 31--.

In Claim 40, line 1, change "any of Claims 31 to 39" to --Claim 31--.

In Claim 41, line 1, change "any of Claims 31 to 39" to --Claim 31--.

In Claim 42, line 1, change "any of Claims 31 to 39" to --Claim 31--.

In Claim 43, lines 2-3, change "any of Claims 1 to 9" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 44, lines 2-3, change "any of Claims 19 to 30" to --Claim 19--.

In Claim 45, line 2, change "any of Claims 10 to 18" to --Claim 10 or 11--.

In Claim 46, line 2, change "any of Claims 31 to 42" to --Claim 31--.

In Claim 47, line 2, change "any of Claims 1 to 9" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 48, line 2, change "any of Claims 19 to 30" to --Claim 19--.

In Claim 49, line 2, change "any of Claims 10 to 18" to --Claim 10 or 11--.

In Claim 50, line 2, change "any of Claims 31 to 42" to --Claim 31--.

In Claim 51, lines 2-3, change "any of Claims 1 to 9" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 52, lines 2-3, change "any of Claims 19 to 30" to --Claim 19--.

In Claim 53, line 2, change "any of Claims 10 to 18" to --Claim 10 or 11--.

In Claim 54, line 2, change "any of Claims 31 to 42" to --Claim 31--.

In Claim 55, line 3, change "any of Claims 1 to 9" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 56, line 3, change "any of Claims 19 to 30" to --Claim 19--.

In Claim 57, line 4, change "any of Claims 1 to 9" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 58, line 4, change "any of Claims 19 to 30" to --Claim 19--.

In Claim 59, lines 2-3, change "any of Claims 1 to 9" to --Claim 1 or 2--.

In Claim 60, lines 2-3, change "any of Claims 19 to 30" to --Claim 19--.

REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment, improper multiple dependencies have been eliminated from the claims. In addition, Claims 25, 33, and 34 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter.

Applicants respectfully request favorable consideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

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